

I have been a licensed Amateur Radio Operator for 48 years, getting my Novice in 1955 and earning my Amateur Extra in 1977. Further, I have worked in electronics for over 20 years and am now a Professor Emeritus from a major community college district. I am neither an engineer nor an attorney, as many filers/commenters appear to be.

This background gives me good insight into the level of knowledge needed to function on technical and communication planes.

I speak only for myself, not any of the amateur organizations that I belong to; nor so they speak for me.

Mr. Beauregard first states that HF Morse testing has evaporated; the FCC has not done so. He does not deal with the specifics of changing this requirement. He wants to have HF available to Technicians while it already is to those who have passed Element 1. If passed, would power in these bands be limited, as it is now?

He does not address the plight of the Novice holder, whose bands would be inhabited by the new Technicians.

The non-distinction between coded and codeless Technicians is the FCC's rulemaking and is therefore their responsibility.

Therefore, I do not support this RM.

Thank you for reading and considering my view on this matter.